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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

A. HASHIMOTO

Group Art Unit: 2182

Serial No. 10/807,173

Examiner: D. MARTINEZ

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For: COMPUTER SYSTEM, CONTROL APPARATUS,
STORAGE SYSTEM AND COMPUTER DEVICE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)
UNDER § 1.97 AND § 1.98

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 12, 2005

Sir:

1. This IDS should be considered:

(a) when filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, or within three months of the filing date of the National Stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, whichever occurs last;

(b) when filed before the mailing date of either a Final Rejection under § 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under § 1.311, whichever occurs first and when 1(a) does not apply. For this purpose, there is included herein either a certification in section 4 below (included when indicated by a marked box), or a fee of \$180.00 (a Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed, or if not see section 5 below);

(c) when filed prior to the payment of the Issue Fee, when 1(a)-(b) do not apply, and when a certification is included in section 4 below (included when indicated by a marked box); then the Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) and request(s) consideration of this IDS, and provided herewith is a fee of \$180.00 (a Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the petition fee, or if not see section 5 below).

2. When 1(a)-(c) do not apply, then it is requested that this IDS be placed in the file.

3. Listing of the information submitted is on the attached Form(s) PTO-1449, which forms a part of this IDS. A copy of each listed document is enclosed for each foreign patent, for each publication or portion thereof that caused it to be listed, and for each pending unpublished U.S. application or portion thereof that caused it to be listed. No copy of a U.S. patent or U.S. patent application publication is needed unless required by the PTO. A copy of a document is also not needed when previously submitted or previously cited by the PTO in a prior application to which the present application claims a benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

4. The undersigned hereby states:

☐ (a) that each item of information contained in this IDS was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, as indicated on the copy of the communication submitted herewith, which communication was dated not more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS; or

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6. No explanation of relevancy is being provided for the following document(s) because each is either in the English language, discussed in the present Specification, or its relevance is as stated in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application.

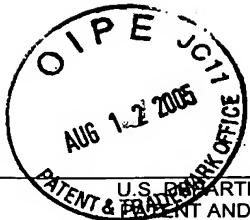
7. If the PTO determines that part(s) of the required content is inadvertently omitted, then it is requested that the Applicant(s) be given additional time and specific identification of such omission(s) to enable full compliance.

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